

P.S. May I request you to cast your eye over the
first number of the sheets of my dedication sermon
that will be in the press next week & rectify any little
mistakes that may have crept in in
the correction of the proof sheets? Done by
Pierce.

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^{by a private conveyance}
enclosed might be worth your from Thursday morning
But I think that you had better rely on some other brother
altogether. Give my best regards to Mrs P. - & believe
me in love & love your
Almoner

at my house: & I am pledged to write a review of Smith
on Moral government, & have not touched it. In
addition, my own people are clamorous that I should
have a protracted meeting. I cannot possibly ~~go~~
to be with you before Thursday or Friday morning
of the week previous to your meeting. If Charles Gros-
venor would preach for me, which I think he would,
I might be with you, perhaps from Friday morning
onward, into the meeting week. As to the time, & kind of
labor, which you have assigned me, you could not
have consulted me better: and never than when you
yourself first in all such arrangements.

As to my own people it is my delight to pre-
ach to sinners. In going abroad, especially into a strange
place I prefer to be with the church &c. No difficulty.

And, now, if, in view of some of the circumstances &
facts, in the case, you say that it is my duty to attempt
to be with you, I will submit it to your judgment, &
in either case, will bring up the subject of praying for
you, before my church & whatever you decide they will
say - "amen". But I cannot suppose that you will think
it best for me to leave so late in the week. You will
doubtless look for another man. In the mean time let
me say my heart & prayers will be with you. If I could leave
immediately on the breaking up of the association our wishes

in the above named circuit and within 9 miles of me,
South. These movements are quite a tax upon my
time & efforts. Learned, of our class, has accepted
a call to settle at Millbury East, a very important
station 6 miles out of Worcester, & 12 from me.

We have been making some extra efforts in other respects
connected with our association. In the mean time,
I have sustained my own pulpit: and with us the
present is a most important time, for me to visit.
The old Society are making a special effort to
build a new meeting house, getting on to their paper
the neutral class of people, by small subscriptions,
rendering it very important that I should visit much
in brief time. So that amid it all, I have, for the last
six weeks, every week, more, or less, refused to call on
individuals, who have put the inquiry, with deep
solicitude, "what must we do to be saved." This is quite
too painful to endure, but so it is. Such is the present
state of the case. In addition, I should say that I have
just commenced a course of Lectures ^{July 6} on Intemperance,
& delivered the first, & am to deliver the second, the Tues-
day of your meeting week. The week previous, Tuesday
and Wednesday, the "Harmony Association" meet

Windsor Jan^y 9th 34.

My Dear Brother in Jesus Christ.

I have duly

received yours of the 7th and did circumstances
possibly allow it, I should not scruple to comply
with your wishes. But I do not see how I can reason myself
into the duty. Ever since I was with you last, we have had
what may be called a little revival. In one part of my Society,
there has been a permanent, increasing, interest, and the Lord
is working with, and for us, in a most decided manner.
We have had some interesting cases of conversion, and
a large number of additions to our Society. In the
mean time, the services of our dedication - Sale of the house -
and the arrangement of Society affairs, has ^{we} taken
up some ^{not a little} of my attention. My calls from the region around
have increased. We are making special efforts to plant
the gospel in Millville, Stokesville, Vannumville & Goosonsville.
The last named place is the stronghold of Satan for
all the region. We have succeeded in locating
Brother Stone & my cousin Charles P. Groves